# U.S. Coast Guard Atlantic Area Snapshot



Vice Admiral Robert C. Parker assumed the duties as Commander, Coast Guard Atlantic Area in April 2010, where he serves as the operational commander for all U.S. Coast Guard missions within a geographic region that ranges from the Rocky Mountains to the Arabian Gulf and spans across five Coast Guard Districts and 40 states. He concurrently serves as Commander, Defense Force East and provides Coast Guard mission support to the Department of Defense and Combatant Commanders.

Rear Admiral Charles D. Michel assumed the duties of Coast Guard Atlantic Area deputy commander in June 2013. His previous flag officer tours included Directory Joint Interagency Task Force South, Military Advisor to the Secretary of Homeland Security and Director for Governmental and Public Affairs, U.S. Coast Guard. A native of Brandon, Florida, he graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy with a Bachelor of Science degree in marine engineering in 1985.



# 2012 Annual Statistics

- Respond to over 20,510 search and rescue cases
- Save over 3,800 lives
- Removed 166,000 pounds of cocaine bound toward the U.S.
- Maintain more than 34,000 federal aids to navigation
- Respond to over 4,200 oil or chemical spills
- Interdict over 2,500 illegal migrants
- Board over 5,500 fishing vessels
- Inspect over 11,600 U.S. flagged vessels
- Complete over 100 international engagements to evaluate the port security of maritime partners
- Examine over 9,500 foreign flagged vessels

# Assets

- Barque Eagle
- Medium Endurance Cutters: 24
- High Endurance Cutters: 1
- Fast Response Cutters: 5
- Patrol Boats: 76
- Ice Breaking Cutters: 10
- Aids to Navigation: 62
- MH-65 Helicopter: 54
- MH-60 Helicopter: 17
- HU-25 Fixed Wing Aircraft: 6
- C-130 Fixed Wing Aircraft: 10
- C-144 Fixed Wing Aircraft: 10

#### Personnel

Active Duty	more than	21,000
Reservists	more than	4,900
Auxiliary	more than	23,000
Civilian	more than	2.100

# **Programs**

- Maritime Security Operations
- Maritime Law Enforcement
- Maritime Prevention
- Maritime Response
- Defense Operations
- Marine Transportation
   System Management

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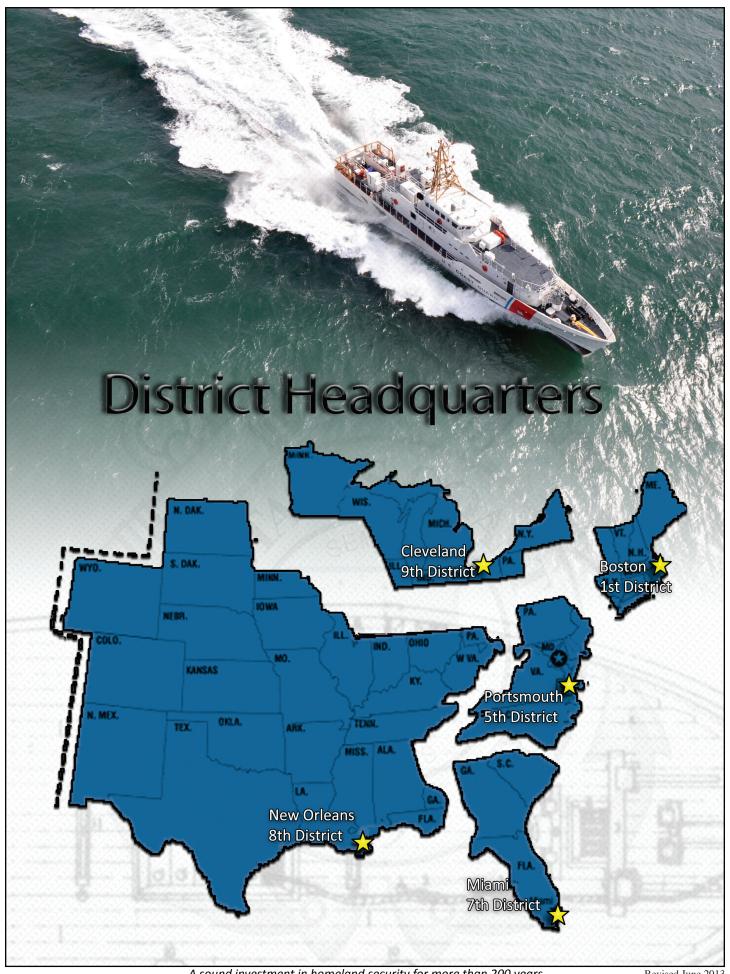
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Boating Safety - uscgboating.org

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# The Deployable Specialized Forces

The Deployable Specialized Forces provide the Coast Guard, DHS, DoD, DoJ and other interagency operational commanders adaptive force packages.

#### **Tactical Law Enforcement Team**

The TACLETS, located in San Diego and Miami, were established in 1982 and their primary mission is to deploy aboard U.S. and allied naval vessels supporting maritime law enforcement interdiction and security operations. TACLET personnel provide specialized law enforcement and maritime security capability to enforce U.S. laws across a full spectrum of maritime response situations. TACLETS also augment maritime security to designated elements of other U.S. Government Agencies in support of Coast Guard, national security and law enforcement operations in the maritime environment.

# **Maritime Security Response Team**

The MSRT, located in Chesapeake, Va., mission is to provide a short-notice maritime response force to deter, protect against and respond to threats of maritime terrorism and to higher-risk criminal law enforcement threats. The MSRT augments Coast Guard commands with subject matter experts in high-threat law enforcement matters during domestic events such as presidential inaugurations, political conventions, international service training and special security events.

# **Maritime Safety and Security Team**

Five seperate MSST units provide enhanced port safety and security and law enforcement capabilities to the economic or military significant port where they are deployed. They deploy in support of national special security events requiring Coast Guard presence, such as major events, disasters or storm recovery operations. The MSSTs also deploy on board cutters and other naval vessels to accomplish port safety and security, drug law enforcement, migrant interdiction or other maritime homeland security mission requirements.

#### **National Strike Force**

The NSF, located in Elizabeth City, N.C., provides highly trained, experienced personnel and specialized equipment to Coast Guard and other federal agencies to facilitate preparedness for and response to oil and hazardous substance pollution incidents in order to protect public health and the environment. The NSF's area of responsibility covers all Coast Guard Districts and Federal Response Regions. Three teams make up the National Strike Force and those are the Pacific Strike Team, Atlantic Strike Team and Gulf Strike Team.



# On Land

# **Helicopter Interdiction Tactical Squadron**

- Located in Jacksonville, Fla., HITRON's mission is to forward deploy armed helicopters to high threat drug trafficking and high risk security areas. In support of our counter narcotics mission, armed helicopters will intercept suspect targets, use appropriate force to interdict vessels, and vector over the horizon cutter boats and cutters to the scene for apprehension.

# **Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center Atlantic**

- Located in Virginia Beach, Va., MIFC LANT serves as Atlantic Area's tactical maritime intelligence nexus, leveraging all available information sources and methods to provide time-critical, actionable intelligence to LANT operational commanders across the full range of Coast Guard missions.

# Redeployment Assistance and Inspection Detachment

- RAID is based out of Kuwait. The team deploys to combat zones in Iraq and Afghanistan, embedding with various DoD units in order to support the safe redeployment of military containers, personnel gear and rolling stock. RAID's work is critical to the efficiency of the military logistics system.

#### **Communication Area Master Station Atlantic**

- CAMSLANT, located in Chesapeake, Va., along with Communications Stations Boston, Miami and New Orleans provide rapid, reliable, and secure communications support and services to Atlantic Area's operational commanders, mobile units, other government agencies, and the maritime community.

# **Navigation Center**

- NAVCEN operates the Maritime Information Operation Center, the state-of-the art center that provides 24/7 operational control, situational awareness and dissemination of information for critical Maritime Domain Awareness and key navigation systems.

# At Sea

# 378-foot High Endurance Cutter

- Coast Guard Cutter Gallatin, homeported in Charleston, S.C., is Atlantic Area's High Endurance Cutter.
- Capable of supporting helicopter deployment, 378s were introduced to the Coast Guard inventory in the 1960s and are highly versatile in performing a variety of missions throughout the world's oceans.

### 270-foot Medium Endurance Cutter

- All 13 of the Coast Guard's Famous Cutter Class are located in Atlantic Area, in the ports of Kittery, Maine; Boston; Portsmouth, Va.; and Key West, Fla. The MEC's are capable of supporting helicopter deployment and are highly versatile in performing a variety of missions throughout the world's oceans.

# 210-foot Medium Endurance Cutter

- There are 14 total in the Reliance Cutter Class, 11 of which reside in ports throughout Atlantic Area, from Kittery, Maine, to Galveston, Texas.
- Capable of supporting helicopter deployment, they conduct homeland security, drug and alien migrant interdiction, and search and rescue operations.

### **USCGC EAGLE**

 Homeported at the Coast Guard Academy,
 New London, Conn., CGC Eagle is the only active (operational) commissioned sailing vessel in the U.S. government.

#### **Patrol Forces Southwest Asia**

- Six 110-foot Island Class patrol boats and 245 personnel comprise this force based in Manama, Bahrain. Operating as part of Navy Central Command, they conduct maritime interception, security operations and theater capacity building with regional navies and coast guards throughout the NAVCEN area of responsibility.

# **Activities Europe**

- ACTEUR, located on U.S. Army Garrison Schinnen, Netherlands, consists of an area of responsibility encompassing Europe, the Middle East and Africa. ACTEUR's staff includes 31 members who travel widely to conduct their Coast Guard missions in Commercial Vessel Compliance (Safety, Security and Environmental Protection), the International Port Security Program, Environmental Stewardship, and International Outreach